

Fall Migration and Nearshore Habitat Requirements of  
Ross' Gulls (Rhodostethia roses)

PART C

Migration of Ross' Gulls at Point Barrow, Alaska  
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## ABSTRACT'

Ross' Gulls were seen on 19 of 35 observation days between September 19 and October 15, 1987, at Point Barrow, Alaska. An eastward migration peaked on October 1 and 2, when daily totals of 2,754 and 990 Ross' Gulls were projected. A westward migration peaked on October 11, when nearly 2,500 birds were projected to be migrating past Point Barrow. About 1,000 more Ross' Gulls were estimated to have migrated east then returned to the west. The projected total number of Ross' Gulls migrating past Point Barrow during the study was 4,000-5,000 birds. Winds generally blew from the east throughout the study. These studies help expand a meager data base on nearshore movements of Ross' Gulls at Point Barrow. Ross' Gulls are highly concentrated along the Alaskan arctic coast in the fall, where they are vulnerable to petroleum spills or other adverse environmental impacts.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

This report helps fulfill the objectives of Project 2 of a contract between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Alaska Fish and Wildlife Research Center, and the Minerals Management Service on "Monitoring seabird populations in areas of oil and gas development on the Alaskan continental shelf." Although the results reported here are summarized in Part A (of which the present report comprises the third and final part, Part C), this report gives details of the results of field studies of the migration of Ross' gull (Rhodostethia rosea) at Point Barrow, Alaska, in September and October 1987.

The field studies at Point Barrow served the important function of adding a fourth year of data to three years of land-based studies of nearshore movements of Ross' gulls. They helped add the important dimension of understanding annual variations in the nearshore movements of Ross' gull at Point Barrow.

## 2. METHODS

### 2.1 Field studies

### 2.1.1. Land-based observations

From September 19 through October 15, approximately 1 to 6 hours of observations were conducted daily by one of two observers (Haney and William Maynard) between approximately 0830 and 1700 hrs at either the base of Barrow Spit or at Point Barrow itself (Fig. 1). Observations on most days were continuous, but they were broken into 10 min segments to allow a fine scale analysis of the data. A lunch break of about 2 hr was taken in the middle of the day by the observers. Data recorded included number of birds, age if known, flight direction if the birds were flying, and any other behavior seen.

### 2.1.2 Aerial observations

Aerial observations were conducted on two days (September 28 and October 11) on a not-to-interfere basis during bowhead whale surveys. The bird observer recorded any Ross' gulls seen as the survey plane, an Office of Aircraft Surveys' Grumman Goose, flew at 120 kt, at an altitude of 1,000' to 1,500'.

## 2.2 Data analysis

A data base (Appendix 1) summarizing the field observations by number of birds, age (adult, juvenile, unknown), flight

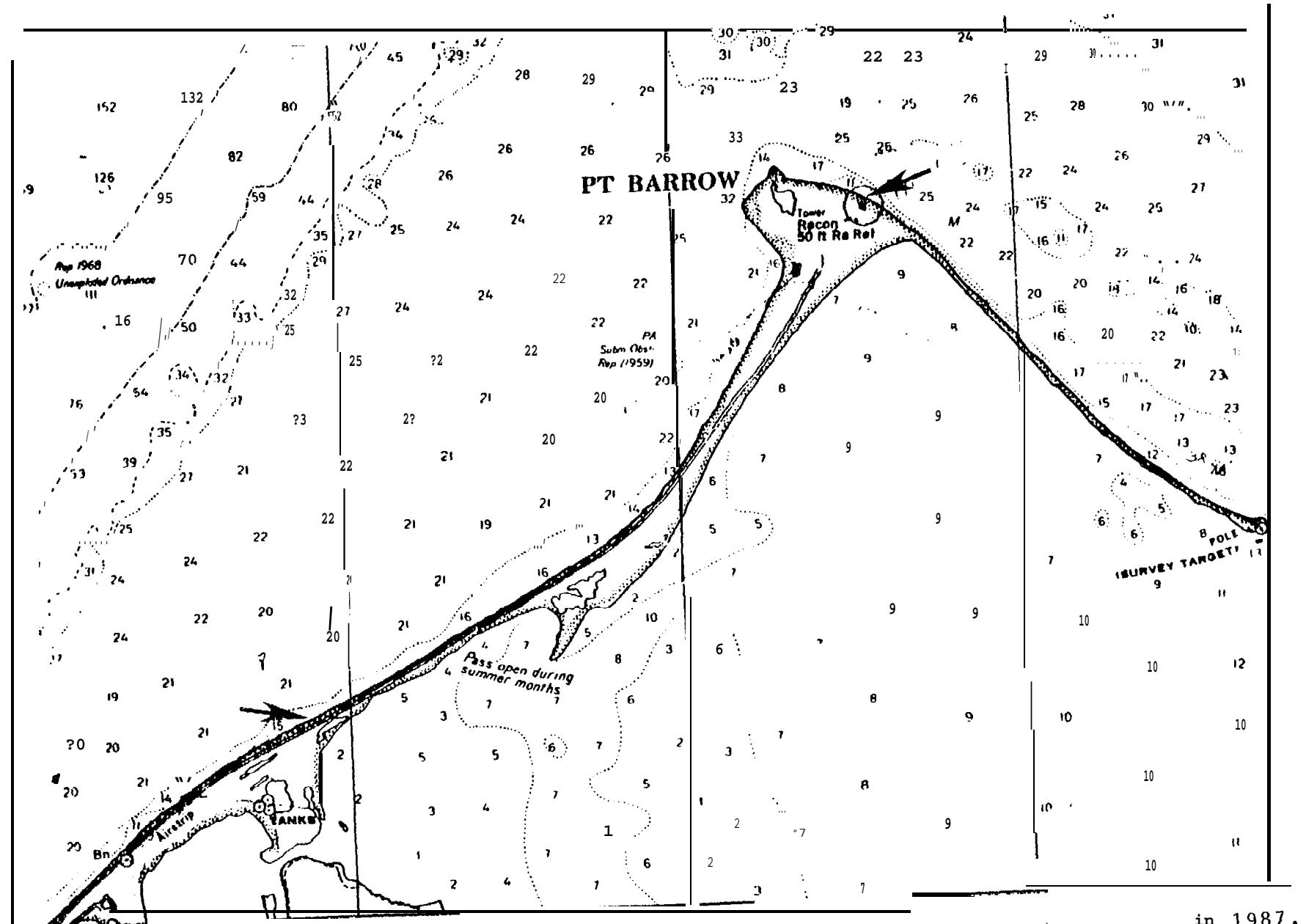


Figure 1. Locations (arrows) where migrant watches were conducted at Point Barrow

direction, and behavior was created with a Microsoft Excel program on an Apple Macintosh Plus microcomputer. The data was reduced further into tables and graphics, using the spreadsheet analysis and charting capabilities of the same program.

The net directional movement of Ross' gulls was estimated for each day by calculating the daily average number of birds per hour for gulls flying eastward and westward. These figures were then multiplied times 10, the approximate number of hours of daylight during the observation period, to estimate birds per day flying in each direction. Net daily directional movement was obtained by subtracting the smaller of the two figures from the larger.

The National Weather Service collects standard climatological data at Barrow (Local Climatological Data, Monthly Summary, September and October 1987, NOAA, National Climatic Data Center, Asheville, NC). These are used here to determine possible climatic influences on the migration of Ross' gulls at Point Barrow.

### 3. RESULTS

#### 3.1 Nearshore Ross' Gull Occurrence and movements

Ross' gulls were seen on 19 of 35 observation days (Table 1). A single gull was seen on the first day of observing, September 19, but it was not until September 30 that they began appearing in numbers (Fig. 2). Numbers of Ross' gulls per day (bpd) jumped dramatically from 97 bpd on September 30 to 2,754 bpd on October 1. The latter figure was based on sightings of 1,653 birds (48% of all Ross' gulls counted during the study) in 6 hrs of observing (Table 1), the largest daily movement in either direction during the study. The heavy movement continued into October 2, when 990 bpd were estimated flying eastward.

From October 3 through October 9, birds were seen flying in both directions (Fig. 3) and there was no clear trend in directional movement. However, an obvious migration to the west began and peaked on October 11 (Fig. 3); 620 birds that were counted flying to the west in 2.5 hours of observing extrapolated to a projected westward movement of 2,468 bpd. Although the net movement continued westward at about 100 to 300 bpd for three days after this, some birds also continued flying eastward through the last day of observations, October 15 (Figure 3).

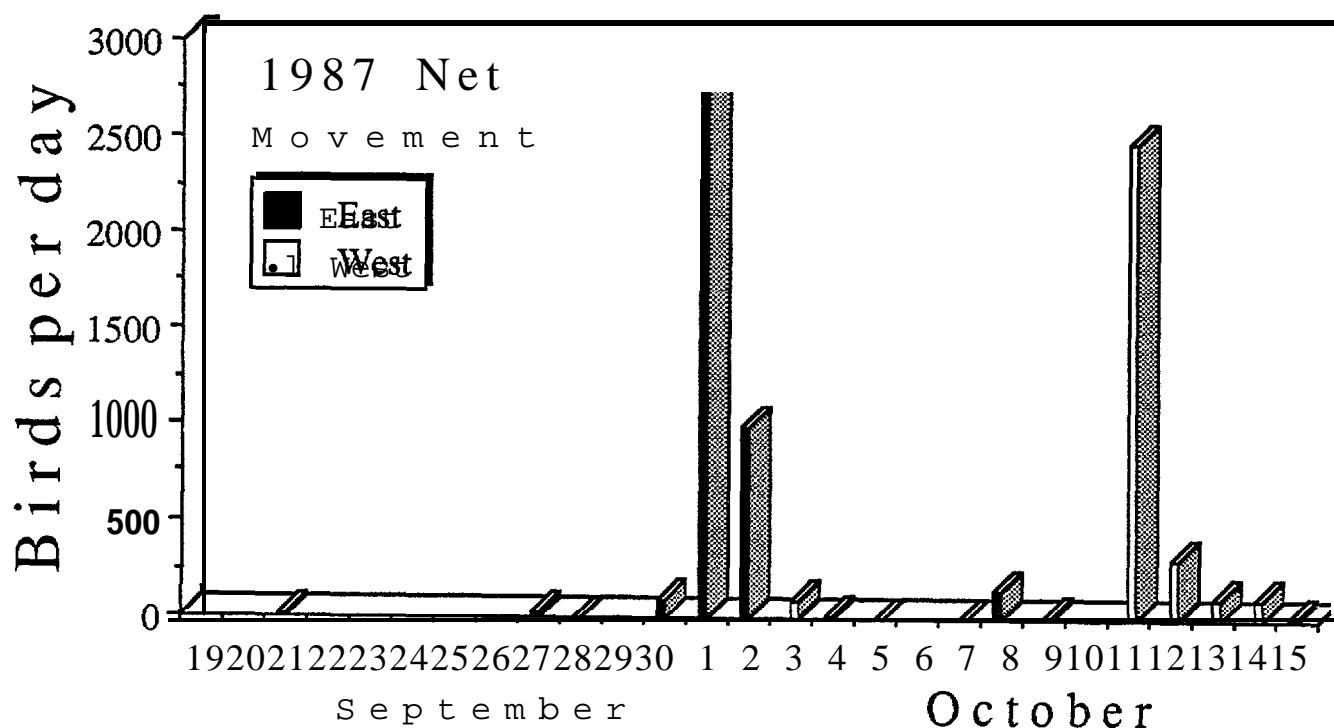


Figure 2. - Projected net directional movement of Ross' gulls past Pt. Barrow in 1987.

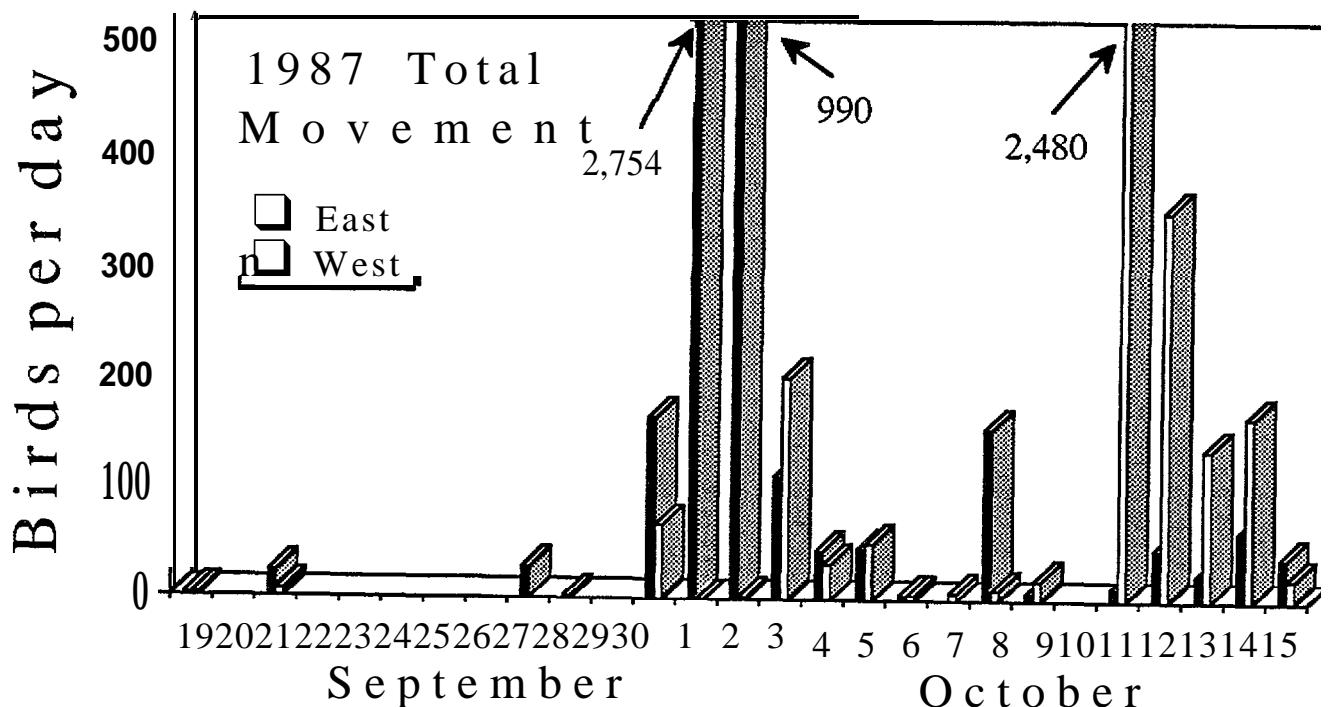


Figure 3. Projected total number of Ross' gulls per day flying past Pt. Barrow, 1987.

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Date & hours observed	Age	Direction of movement						Net	
		East			West			numbers East	numbers West
		Number per: Total	Hour	day	Number per: Total	Hour	day		
Sep 27 3.7	Adult	10	2.7	27				27	
	Juv								
	Unk								
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>27</b>				<b>27</b>	
Sep 28 4.2	Adult	1	0.2	2				2	
	Juv								
	Unk								
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>2</b>				<b>2</b>	
Sep 29 1.2	Adult								
	Juv								
	Unk								
	<b>Total</b>								
Sep 30 3.8	Adult	62	16.3	163	3	0.8	8	155	
	Juv				22	5.8	58		58
	' Unk								
	<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>97</b>	
Ott 1 6.0	Adult	938	156.3	1,563	1	0.2	1	1,562	
	Juv	119	19.8	198				198	
	Unk	596	99.3	993				993	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,653</b>	<b>###</b>	<b>2,755</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2,754</b>	
Ott 2 5.0	Adult	263	52.6	526	1	0.2	2	524	
	Juv	88	17.6	176				176	
	Unk	145	29.0	290				290	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>99.2</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>990</b>	
Ott 3 4.7	Adult	41	8.7	87	72	15.3	153		81
	Juv	10	2.1	21	16	3.4	34		13
	Unk	1	0.2	2	6	1.3	13		11
	<b>Total</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>200</b>		<b>89</b>
Ott 4 2.8	Adult	5	1.8	18	2	0.7	7		11
	Juv	7	2.5	25	7	2.5	25		
	Unk								
	<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>11</b>	

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Date & hours observed	Age	Direction of movement						Net	
		East			West			numbers	East
		Total	Hour	day	Total	Hour	day		West
Ott 5 4.5	Adult	16	3.6	36	17	3.8	38		2
	Juv	5	1.1	11	6	1.3	13		2
	Unk								
	<b>Total</b>	21	4.7	47	23	5.1	51		4
Ott 6 2.7	Adult	1	0.4	4	1	0.4	4		
	Juv								
	Unk								
	<b>Total</b>	1	0.4	4	1	0.4	4		
Ott 7 3.3	Adult				2	0.6	6		6
	Juv								
	Unk								
	<b>Total</b>				2	0.6	6		6
Ott 8 4.0	Adult	30	7.5	75	3	0.8	8	67	
	Juv	19	4.8	48	1	0.3	3	45	
	Unk	13	3.3	.33				33	
	<b>Total</b>	62	15.5	155	4	1.0	10	145	
Ott 9 3.2	Adult				2	0.6	6		6
	Juv	2	0.6	6	4	1.3	13		7
	Unk								
	<b>Total</b>	2	0.6	6	6	1.9	19		13
Ott 11 2.5	Adult	3	1.2	12	404	161.6	1,616		1,604
	Juv	0.0	0	0	209	83.6	836		836
	Unk	0.0	0	0	7	2.8	28		28
	<b>Total</b>	3	1.2	12	620	###	2,480		2,468
Ott 12 3.7	Adult	10	2.7	27	54	14.6	146		119
	Juv	7	1.9	19	36	9.7	97		78
	Unk				40	10.8	108		108
	<b>Total</b>	17	4.6	46	130	35.1	351		305
Ott 13 2.2	Adult	3	1.4	14	15	6.8	68		54
	Juv	2	0.9	9	15	6.8	68		59
	Unk								
	<b>Total</b>	5	2.3	23	30	13.6	136		113

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Date & hours observed	Age	Direction of movement								Net numbers	
		East				West					
		Number per:		Number per:							
		Total		Hour		Total		Hour			
Ott 14 3.7	Adult	20	5.4	54	40	10.8	108			54	
	Juv	2	0.5	5	21	5.7	57			52	
	Unk	1	0.3	3					3		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>165</b>			<b>103</b>	
15-Oct 0.5	Adult										
	Juv	2	4.0	40	1	2.0	20			20	
	Unk										
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>20</b>			<b>20</b>	
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>4,514</b>				<b>3,553</b>		<b>3,596</b>		<b>3,101</b>	

Data on both total directional and net directional movements (Table 1, p.4) indicate that about 1,000 more Ross' gulls were seen flying eastward than westward, and the overall net directional movement (Table 1, p.4) showed about 500 birds moving eastward. Thus, it seems likely that the return migration to the west continued to some degree after October 15.

The projected numbers of Ross' gulls involved in the 1987 migration past Point Barrow, about 4,000-5,000 birds, was considerably lower than in recent years, which has been as high as 16,500 (G. Divoky, pers. comm.). The ice pack was relatively far offshore, and many Ross' gulls likely migrated along the ice edge, beyond the sight of observers during this study (G. Divoky, pers. comm.) .

### 3.2 Climatic conditions and Ross' Gull movements

Climatological data for Barrow (Table 2) indicate fairly typical conditions during the study. Temperatures ranged from the low 300's F at the start of September to 10-20 'F at the end of October (Fig. 4).

Figure 5 shows daily wind speed and direction vectors for September and October 1987 and corresponding net directional movement of Ross' gulls. The heavy eastward movement of gulls

Table 2. Climatological data, Pt. Barrow, Alaska, September - October, 1987. National Weather Service data

Date, 1987	Temperature, °F			Resultant Dir.	Wind Speed
	Max	Min	Ave		
Sep 1	35	31	33	7	10.5
Sep 2	32	28	30	7	12.8
Sep 3	31	27	29	5	16.7
Sep 4	37	27	32	27	5.7
Sep 5	38	31	35	25	9.8
Sep 6	4.5	29	37	12	10.2
Sep 7	46	33	40	17	1.0
Sep 8	36	23	30	30	10.7
Sep 9	27	23	25	30	4.7
Sep 10	38	25	32	17	17.5
Sep 11	35	24	30	36	2.7
Sep 12	34	23	29	27	16.4
Sep 13	35	27	31	24	17.0
Sep 14	34	22	28	28	15.5
Sep 15	26	15	21	19	12.4
Sep 16	32	14	23	18	8.0
Sep 17	17	29	19	14	17.1
Sep 18	30	19	25	36	2.9
Sep 19	30	13	22	7	10.4
Sep 20	35	25	30	7	5.0
Sep 21	31	24	28	33	9.9
Sep 22	27	23	25	5	14.2
Sep 23	32	26	29	8	29.4
Sep 24	33	31	32	9	25.4
Sep 25	32	24	28	6	15.8
Sep 26	27	23	25	5	19.3
Sep 27	26	21	24	6	13.9
Sep 28	28	19	24	7	11.9
Sep 29	31	26	29	8	9.3
Sep 30	28	22	25	6	14.1

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Date, 1987		Temperature, °F			Resultant Dir.	Wind Speed
		Max	Min	Ave		
Ott 1		24	20	22	6	19
Ott 2		23	19	21	7	20.7
Ott 3		28	19	24	7	22.9
Ott 4		32	28	30	9	15.4
Ott 5		32	16	24	16	4.5
Ott 6		22	13	18	19	6.7
Ott 7		30	13	22	11	4.9
Ott 8		28	23	26	14	5.9
Ott 9		30	21	26	22	5.2
Ott 10		29	19	24	7	6.8
Ott 11		30	27	29	8	16.6
Ott 12		30	27	29	10	16.1
Ott 13		29	. 24	27	11	20.4
Ott 14		30	20	25	10	19.9
Ott 15		33	16	25	13	6.4
Ott 16		32	11	22	19	9.5
Ott 17		27	5	16	12	10.3
Ott 18		29	21	25	11	13.4
Ott 19		28	23	26	8	10.4
Ott 20		30	20	25	2	9.1
Ott 21		30	25	28	4	8.9
Ott 22		29	26	28	4	12.7
Ott 23		30	25	28	8	10.5
Ott 24		30	23	27	9	14.7
Ott 25		29	18	24	24	8.4
Ott 26		25	17	21	30	16.5
Ott 27		20	15	18	32	9.4
Ott 28		16	14	15	20	3.6
Ott 29		22	4	13	18	3.9
Ott 30		21	8	15	8	6.9
Ott 31		19	10	15	5	12.0

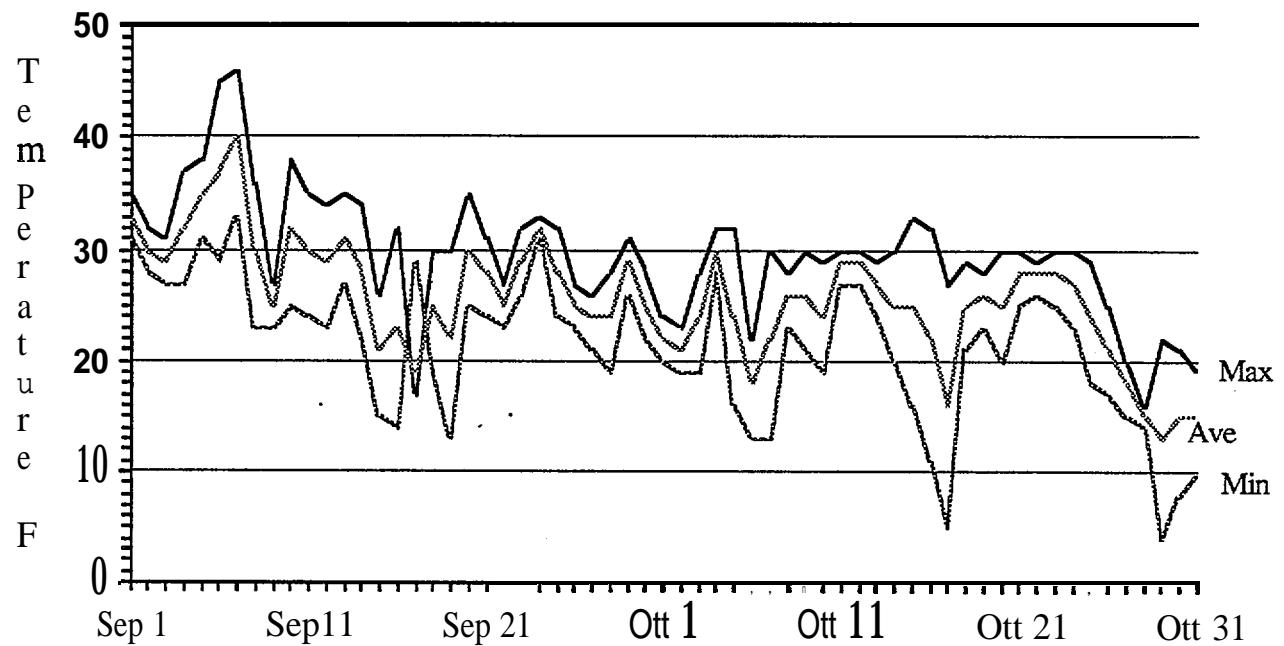


Figure 4. Air temperatures at Pt. Barrow, Alaska, 1987. Data from National Weather Service, "Local Climatological Data, Monthly Summary, September and October 1987."

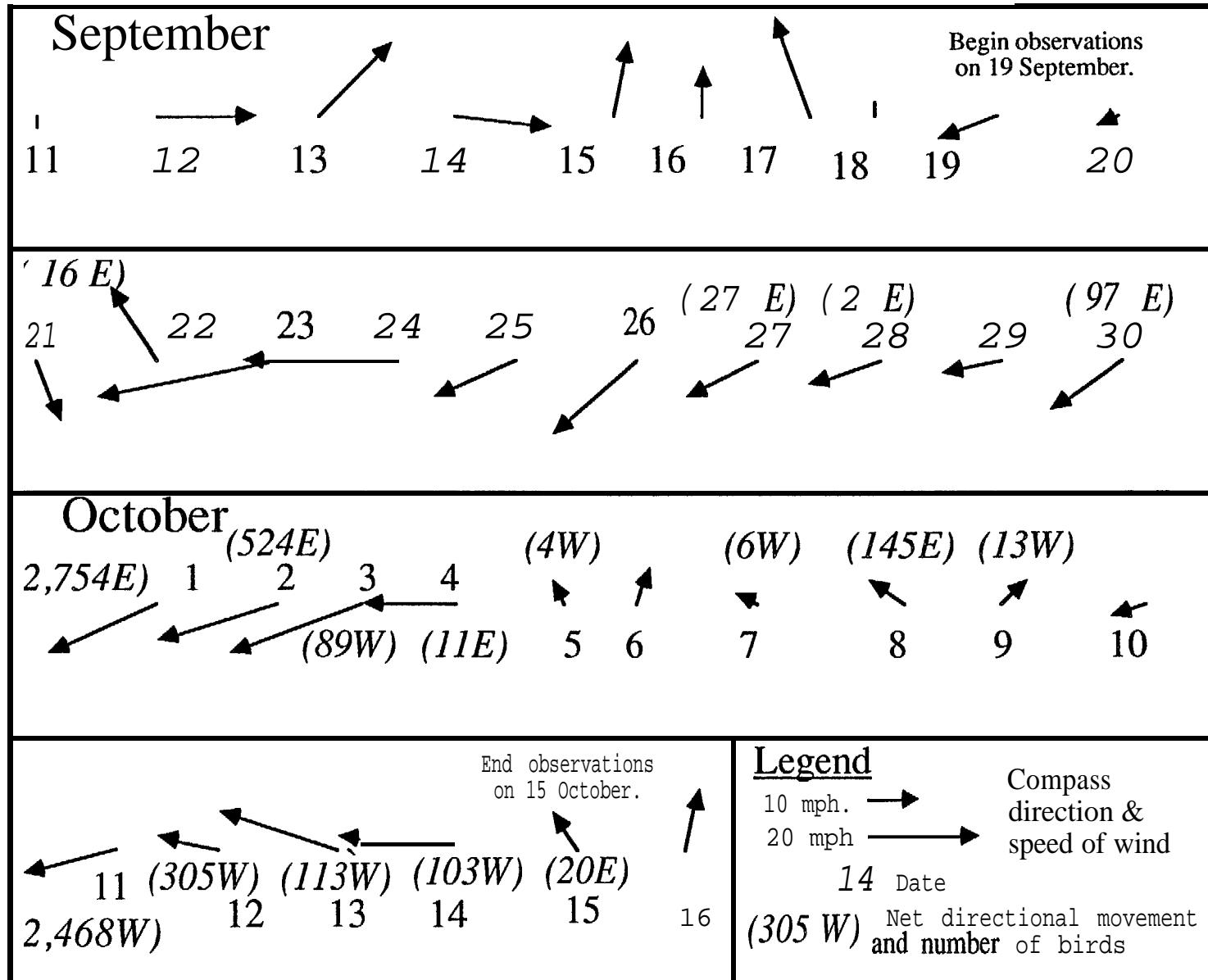


Figure 5. Net directional movement of Ross' gulls and corresponding daily wind speed and direction vectors at Pt. Barrow, Alaska, September - October 1987. Wind data from National Weather Service

noted on October 1 followed about a week of E and NE winds of 15-30 m.p.h., indicating that the birds were flying into the wind. However, the peak return migration to the west on October 11-14 was also accompanied by easterly winds (Figure 5), so correlations between flight direction and wind direction are problematical.

### 3.3 Aerial surveys

Ross' gulls were seen during aerial surveys, as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Number of Birds</u>	<u>Position</u>
September 28	1	70°53'N, 159°56'W
September 28	2	70°58'N, 159°44'W
October 11	1	71°45'N, 161°51'W
October 11	1	71°36'N, 161°52'W

## 4. DISCUSSION

The 1987 studies showed that about 4,500 Ross' gulls flew east past Point Barrow, mostly on October 1 and 2, and about 3,600 gulls flew west 10 days later. The great majority of movement in both directions took place on one day each. The birds generally followed the shoreline a short distance offshore. After the first day of Ross' Gull sightings, birds

were seen flying in both directions, and some birds were still moving *eastward* on the last day of observations. Thus, it is likely that the westward migration continued for some period past these field studies.

There was no clear relationship between wind direction and flight direction. Winds generally blew from the east to the west before or during the gulls' movements in both directions.

This study adds further documentation to previous studies (Divoky, Part B of this report) that Ross' gulls are highly concentrated along the Alaskan arctic coast within a very 'narrow time window in the fall just before freeze-up. It is likely that a large proportion of the world population of Ross' gulls are present in the area at that time. For these reasons, it appears that while the Ross' gull population is in this area, it would be highly vulnerable to petroleum spills or other adverse environmental impacts.

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Rec					Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir	#
#	Date	Start	Stop							
273	Sep 30	900	910	Pt Barrow						
274	Sep 30	910	920	Pt Barrow						
275	Sep 30	920	930	Pt Barrow						
276	Sep 30	930	940	Pt Barrow						
277	Sep "30	940	950	Pt Barrow						
278	Sep 30	950	1000	Pt Barrow						
279	Sep 30	1000	1010	Pt Barrow						
280	Sep 30	1010	1020	Pt Barrow						
281	Sep 30	1020	1030	Pt Barrow						
282	Sep 30	1030	1040	Pt Barrow						
283	Sep 30	1040	1050	Pt Barrow	2	fly	3	1	fly	3
284	Sep 30	1050	1100	Pt Barrow						
285	Sep 30	1100	1110	Pt Barrow	6	fly	2			
286	Sep 30	1115	1145	along spit	64			10		
287	Sep 30	1400	1500	Pt Brw bight	720	feed	12	180	feed	12
288	Sep 30	1545	1555	Pt Barrow	8	fly	3	1	fly	3
289	Sep 30	1545	1555	Pt Barrow	1	fly	2			
290	Sep 30	1555	1605	Pt Barrow	21	fly	3	8	fly	3
291	Sep 30	16605	1615	Pt Barrow				1	fly	9
292	Sep 30	16615	1625	Pt Barrow	3	fly	3	2	fly	3
293	Sep 30	16625	1635	Pt Barrow						
294	Sep 30	16635	1645	Pt Barrow	7	fly	3	3	fly	3
295	Sep 30	1645	1655	Pt Barrow	12	fly	3	6	fly	3
296	Sep 30	1655	1705	Pt Barrow	1	fly	3			
297	Sep 30	1705	1715	Pt Barrow	1	fly	6			
298	Sep 30	1705	1715	Pt Barrow	1	fly	3			
299	Sep 30	1705	1715	Pt Barrow	2	fly	9			
300	Ott 1	845	855	Base of Spit	47	fly	12	9	fly	12
301	Ott 1	845	855	Base of Spit	16	fly	1			
302	Oct 1	855	905	Base of Spit	50	fly	12	4	fly	12
303	Oct 1	855	905	Base of Spit				3	fly	3
304	Oct 1	905	915	Base of Spit	65	fly	12	4	fly	12
305	Oct 1	915	925	Base of Spit	18	fly	1	3	fly	3
306	Oct 1	915	925	Base of Spit	14	fly	12	1	fly	12

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Rec	#	Date	Start	stop	Location	#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir
307	Ott 1	925	935	Base of Spit	23		fly	12	2	fly	12			
308	Ott 1	935	945	Base of Spit	29		fly	12	2	fly	12			
309	Ott 1	935	945	Base of Spit	16		fly	11	1	fly	11			
310	Ott 1	945	955	Base of Spit	21		fly	11	4	fly	11			
311	Ott 1	945	955	Base of Spit	115		fly	12	17	fly	12			
312	Ott 1	945	955	Base of Spit	1		fly	6						
313	Ott 1	955	1005	Base of Spit	127		fly	12	19	fly	12			
314	Ott 1	955	1005	Base of Spit	4		fly	11						
315	Ott 1	1005	1015	Base of Spit	19		fly	11	4	fly	11			
316	Ott 1	1005	1015	Base of Spit	71		fly	12	5	fly	12			
317	Ott 1	1015	1025	Base of Spit	99		fly	12	17	fly	12			
318	Ott 1	1015	1025	Base of Spit	2		fly	11						
319	Ott 1	1025	1035	Base of Spit	26		fly	12	3	fly	12			
320	Ott 1	1025	1035	Base of Spit	3		fly	1						
321	Ott 1	1035	1045	Base of Spit	8		fly	12	3	fly	12			
322	Ott 1	1045	1055	Base of Spit	4		fly	12						
323	Ott 1	1055	1105	Base of Spit	22		fly	12	1	fly	12			
324	Ott 1	1105	1115	Base of Spit	31		fly	12	6	fly	12			
325	Ott 1	1345	1355	Base of Spit										
326	Ott 1	1355	1405	Base of Spit	8		fly	12						
327	Ott 1	1405	1415	Base of Spit										
328	Ott 1	1415	1425	Base of Spit	2		fly	12						
329	Ott 1	1425	1435	Base of Spit	3		fly	12						
330	Ott 1	1435	1445	Base of Spit	2		fly	12						
331	Ott 1	1445	1455	Base of Spit										
332	Ott 1	1455	1505	Base of Spit	3		fly	12						
333	Ott 1	1505	1515	Base of Spit	5		fly	12						
334	Ott 1	1515	1525	Base of Spit	8		fly	12						
335	Ott 1	1525	1535	Base of Spit	4		fly	12				115	fly	1
336	Ott 1	1525	1535	Base of Spit	1		fly	11						
337	Ott 1	1535	1545	Base of Spit	1		fly	12				48	fly	12
338	Ott 1	1535	1545	Base of Spit								34	fly	1
339	Ott 1	1545	1555	Base of Spit	7		fly	12	1	fly	12			
340	Ott 1	1555	1605	Base of Spit								118	fly	1

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						#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir
341	Ott 1	1605	1615	Base of Spit		1	fly	12				83	fly	1
342	Ott 1	1605	1606	Pt Brw bight								346		
343	Ott 1	1615	1625	Base of Spit	, 4		fly	12	1	fly	12	33	fly	12
344	Ott 1	1615	1625	Base of Spit								18	fly	11
345	Ott 1	1625	1635	Base of Spit		4	fly	12	3	fly	12			
346	Ott 1	1625	1635	Base of Spit		3	fly	4						
347	Ott 1	1635	1645	Base of Spit		16	fly	12				33	fly	1
348	Ott 1	1645	1655	Base of Spit		8	fly	1	1	fly	1			
349	Ott 1	1645	1655	Base of Spit		14	fly.	12				4	fly	12
350	Ott 1	1655	1705	Base of Spit								28	fly	12
351	Ott 1	1705	1715	Base of Spit		17	fly	12	5	fly	12	56	fly	12
352	Ott 2	825	835	Base of Spit		13	fly	12	2	fly	12			
353	Ott 2	835	845	Base of Spit		7	fly	12	3	fly	12			
354	Ott 2	845	855	Base of Spit		15	fly	12	6	fly	12	15	fly	1
355	Ott 2	855	905	Base of Spit		7	fly	12	1	fly	12	8	fly	12
356	Ott 2	905	915	Base of Spit		2	fly	12	1	fly	12	20	fly	12
357	Ott 2	915	925	Base of Spit		12	fly	12	2	fly	12	16	fly	12
358	Ott 2	915	925	Base of Spit		8	fly	11						
359	Ott 2	925	935	Base of Spit		32	fly	12	9	fly	12	30	fly	12
360	Ott 2	935	945	Base of Spit		6	fly	12	23	fly	12	37	fly	12
361	Ott 2	945	955	Base of Spit		29	fly	12	1	fly	12	5	fly	12
362	Ott 2	955	1005	Base of Spit		23	fly	12	6	fly	12			
363	Ott 2	1005	1015	Base of Spit		25	fly	12	10	fly	12			
364	Ott 2	1005	1015	Base of Spit					2	fly	11			
365	Ott 2	1015	1025	Base of Spit		25	fly	12	2	fly	12			
366	Ott 2	1025	1035	Base of Spit		13	fly	12	3	fly	12			
367	Ott 2	1035	1045	Base of Spit		8	fly	12	1	fly	12			
368	Ott 2	1045	1055	Base of Spit		10	fly	12	6	fly	12			
369	Ott 2	1055	1105	Base of Spit		10	fly	12	3	fly	12			
370	Ott 2	1105	1115	Base of Spit		4	fly	12	1	fly	12	10	fly	11
371	Ott 2	1115	1125	Base of Spit		1	fly	12						
372	Ott 2	1435	1445	Base of Spit		1	fly	12	1	fly	12			
373	Ott 2	1445	1455	Base of Spit		3	fly	12		2	fly	12		
374	Ott 2	1505	1515	Base of Spit					2	fly	12			

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375	Oct 2	1515	1525	Base of Spit	2	fly	6	2	fly	12			
376	Oct 2	1515	1525	Base of Spit	2	fly	12	3	fly	11			
377	Oct 2	1525	1535	Base of Spit									
378	Oct 2	1535	1545	Base of Spit	3	fly	12				2	1	
379	Oct 2	1545	1555	Base of Spit	2	fly	12						
380	Ott 2	1555	1605	Base of Spit	1	fly	12						
381	Ott 2	1605	1615	Base of Spit									
382	Ott 2	1615	1625	Base of Spit									
383	Ott 2	1625	1635	Base of Spit	1	fly	12						
384	Ott 2	1600	1630	Pt Brw Bight							347	feed	
385	Ott 2	1600	1630	Pt Brw Bight	48	rest		9	rest				
386	Ott 3	900	930	Base of spit							110		
387	Ott 3	900	910	Base of spit									
388	Ott 3	910	920	Base of spit	3	fly	12	4	fly	12			
389	Oct 3	910	920	Base of spit				1	fly	6			
390	Oct 3	920	930	Base of spit	1	fly	12						
391	Oct 3	930	940	Base of spit									
392	Oct 3	940	950	Base of spit	1	fly	12						
393	Oct 3	940	950	Base of spit	3	fly	6						
394	Ott 3	950	1000	Base of spit	3	fly	8						
395	Ott 3	1000	1010	Base of spit							6	fly 9	
396	Ott 3	1010	1020	Base of spit									
397	Ott 3	1020	1030	Base of spit	3	fly	8						
398	Ott 3	1030	1040	Base of spit									
399	Ott 3	1040	1050	Base of spit	5	fly	12				1	fly 12	
400	Ott 3	1050	1100	Base of spit									
401	Ott 3	1100	1110	Base of spit	10	fly	12						
402	Ott 3	1100	1110	Base of spit	5	fly	6						
403	Ott 3	1110	1120	Base of spit	2	fly	12						
404	Ott 3	1110	1120	Base of spit	1	fly	6						
405	Oct 3	1120	1130	Base of spit	4	fly	12	1	fly	12			
406	Oct 3	1120	1130	Base of spit	3	fly	6						
407	Ott 3	1130	1140	Base of spit	1	fly	6						
408	Ott 3	1505	1515	Base of spit	6	fly	6	3	fly	6			

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				#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir
409	Oct 3	1505	1515	Base of spit	2	fly	12					
410	Oct 3	1515	1525	Base of spit	23	fly	6	5	fly	6		
411	Oct 3	1525	1535	Base of spit	1	fly	6	1	fly	6		
412	Ott 3	1535	1545	Base of spit	10	fly	6	2	fly	6		
413	Ott 3	1545	1555	Base of spit	4	fly	6	1	fly	6		
414	Ott 3	1545	1555	Base of spit	2	fly	9	1	fly	9		
415	Ott 3	1545	1555	Base of spit				3	fly	12		
416	Ott 3	1545	1546	Pt Barrow							218	
417	Ott 3	1555	1605	Base of spit	3	fly	12					
418	Ott 3	1605	1615	Base of spit	4	fly	12	1	fly	12		
419	Ott 3	1605	1615	Base of spit	2	fly	6					
420	Ott 3	1615	1625	Base of spit	1	fly	6	1	fly	6		
421	Ott 3	1615	1625	Base of spit	2	fly	12					
422	Ott 3	1625	1635	Base of spit	3	fly	12					
423	Ott 3	1625	1635	Base of spit	1	fly	6					
424	Ott 3	1635	1645	Base of spit	1	fly	12					
425	Oct 3	1645	1655	Base of spit								
426	Oct 3	1655	1705	Base of spit	2	fly	6	1	fly	6		
427	Oct 3	1655	1705	Base of spit	1	fly	7	1	fly	15		
428	Oct 3	1715	1716	Pt Barrow							218	?
429	Oct 4	1020	1030	Base of spit								
430	Ott 4	1030	1040	Base of spit								
431	Ott 4	1040	1050	Base of spit								
432	Ott 4	1050	1100	Base of spit								
433	Ott 4	1100	1110	Base of spit								
434	Ott 4	1110	1120	Base of spit	1	fly	12					
435	Ott 4	1120	1130	Base of spit				1	fly	12		
436	Ott 4	1130	1140	Base of spit	4	fly	12	5	fly	12		
437	Ott 4	1140	1150	Base of spit	1	fly	6	2	fly	6		
438	Ott 4	1150	1200	Base of spit	1	fly	6	3	fly	6		
439	Ott 4	1200	1210	Base of spit								
440	Ott 4	1210	1220	Base of spit								
441	Ott 4	1220	1230	Base of spit								
442	Ott 4	1230	1240	Base of spit				1	fly	6		

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443	Ott 4	1240	1241	Pt Barrow	21			34					
444	Ott 4	1240	1250	Base of spit				1	fly	6			
445	Ott 4	1250	1300	Base of spit				1	fly	12			
446	Ott 4	1300	1310	Base of spit									
447	Ott 5	855	905	Base of spit	2	fly	12	1	fly	12			
448	Ott 5	855	905	Base of spit	1	fly	8	1	fly	6			
449	Ott 5	905	915	Base of spit	6	fly	6	3	fly	6			
450	Ott 5	905	915	Base of spit	1	fly	12						
451	Ott 5	915	925	Base of sPit	1	fly	11						
452	Ott 5	925	935	Base of spit									
453	Ott 5	935	945	Base of spit	1	fly	6						
454	Ott 5	945	955	Base of spit	1	fly	6						
455	Ott 5	955	1005	Base of spit	1	fly	12						
456	Ott 5	1005	1015	Base of spit	2	fly	6						
457	Ott 5	1015	1025	Base of spit	2	fly	12	2	fly	12			
458	Ott 5	1025	1035	Base of spit									
459	Ott 5	1035	1045	Base of spit	1	fly	12						
460	Ott 5	1045	1055	Base of sPit	1	fly	6						
461	Ott 5	1055	1105	Base of spit									
462	Ott 5	1105	1115	Base of spit									
463	Ott 5	1115	1125	Base of spit									
464	Ott 5	1515	1525	Base of spit	2	fly	6	1	fly	6			
465	Ott 5	1525	1535	Base of spit									
466	Ott 5	1535	1545	Base of spit	1	fly	6						
467	Ott 5	1545	1555	Base of spit									
468	Ott 5	1555	1605	Base of spit									
469	Ott 5	1605	1615	Base of spit									
470	Ott 5	1615	1625	Base of spit									
471	Ott 5	1625	1635	Base of spit	6	fly	12	1	fly	12			
472	Ott 5	1635	1645	Base of spit	2	fly	12	1	fly	12			
473	Ott 5	1645	1655	Base of spit									
474	Ott 5	1655	1705	Base of spit	2	fly	6						
475	Ott 5	1705	1715	Base of spit				1	fly	6			
476	Ott 6	945	955	Base of spit	1	fly	12						

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Rec	Date	Start	stop	Location	#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir
545	Ott 9	1435	1445	Base of spit									
546	Ott 9	1445	1455	Base of spit									
547	Ott 9	1455	1505	Base of spit									
548	Ott 9	1505	1515	Base of spit									
549	Ott 9	1515	1525	Base of spit				1	fly	6			
550	Ott 9	1525	1535	Base of spit									
551	Ott 9	1630	1640	Base of spit									
552	Ott 9	1640	1650	Base of spit									
553	Ott 9	1650	1700	Base of spit									
554	Ott 9	1700	1710	Base of spit	2	fly	6	3	fly	6			
555	Ott 9	1710	1720	Base of spit									
556	Ott 9	1720	1730	Base of spit				2	fly	12			
557	Ott 11	1400	1401	NARL-->camp							50	feed	
558	Ott 11	1455	1505	Base of spit									
559	Ott 11	1505	1515	Base of spit									
560	Ott 11	1515	1525	Base of spit	1	fly	6						
561	Ott 11	1515	1525	Base of spit	1	fly	12						
562	Ott 11	1525	1535	Base of spit	7	fly	6	7	fly	6			
563	Ott 11	1535	1545	Base of spit	23	fly	6	12	fly	6	7	fly	6
564	Ott 11	1545	1555	Base of spit	27	fly	6	11	fly	6			
565	Ott 11	1555	1605	Base of spit	5	fly	6	4	fly	6			
566	Ott 11	1605	1615	Base of spit	52	fly	6	21	fly	6			
567	Ott 11	1615	1625	Base of spit	60	fly	6	39	fly	6			
568	Ott 11	1615	1625	Base of spit	2	fly	12						
569	Ott 11	1625	1635	Base of spit	55	fly	6	26	fly	6			
570	Ott 11	1635	1645	Base of spit	40	fly	6	18	fly	6			
571	Ott 11	1645	1655	Base of spit	25	fly	6	23	fly	6			
572	Ott 11	1655	1705	Base of spit	59	fly	6	22	fly	6			
573	Ott 11	1705	1715	Base of spit	40	fly	6	19	fly	6			
574	Ott 11	1715	1725	Base of spit	10	fly	6	7	fly	6			
575	Ott 12	945	955	Base of spit	4	fly	12						
576	Ott 12	945	955	Base of spit	6	fly	6						
577	Ott 12	955	1005	Base of spit	6	fly	6	4	fly	6			
578	Ott 12	955	1005	Base of spit	2	fly	5	1	fly	5			

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Rec #	Date	Start Stop	Location	#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir	#	Bhv	Dir
579	Ott 12	1005	1015 Base of spit	2	fly	4	1	fly	6	3	fly	4			
580	Ott 12	1015	1025 Base of spit	3	fly	6	11	fly	6						
581	Ott 12	1025	1035 Base of spit												
582	Ott 12	1035	1045 Base of spit												
583	Oct 12	1045	1055 Base of spit	13	fly	6	6	fly	6						
584	Oct 12	1055	1105 Base of spit												
585	Oct 12	1105	1115 Base of spit	4	fly	6	1	fly	6						
586	Ott 12	1115	1125 Base of spit												
587	Ott 12	1125	1135 Base of spit	3	fly	12	6	fly	12						
588	Ott 12	1150	1510 Base of spit	7	fly	5		fly							
589	Ott 12	1510	1520 Base of spit	4	fly	6	2	fly	6						
590	Ott 12	1520	1530 Base of spit	4	fly	5	6	fly	5	2	fly	5			
591	Ott 12	1520	1530 Base of spit	2	fly	12	1	fly	12						
592	Oct 12	1530	1540 Base of spit												
593	Oct 12	1540	1550 Base of spit												
594	Ott 12	1550	1600 Base of spit							35	fly	6			
595	Oct 12	1600	1610 Base of spit	2	fly	6	2	fly	6						
596	Oct 12	1610	1620 Base of spit												
597	Ott 12	1620	1630 Base of spit	1	fly	6	1	fly	6						
598	Oct 12	1630	1640 Base of spit	1	fly	12	1	fly	6						
599	Oct 12	1640	1650 Base of spit												
600	Ott 12	1620	1621 Pt Barrow							32	" feed				
601	Oct 13	915	925 Base of spit												
602	Oct 13	925	935 Base of spit												
603	Oct 13	935	945 Base of spit	1	fly	6	7	fly	6						
604	Oct 13	945	955 Base of spit	7	fly	6	4	fly	6						
605	Ott 13	955	1005 Base of spit												
606	Ott 13	1005	1015 Base of spit												
607	Ott 13	1015	1025 Base of spit												
608	Oct 13	1025	1035 Base of spit												
609	Oct 13	1035	1045 Base of spit												
610	Oct 13	1045	1055 Base of spit	2	fly	6	1	fly	6						
611	Oct 13	1055	1105 Base of spit	3	fly	6	2	fly	6						
612	Oct 13	1105	1115 Base of spit	2	fly	6	1	fly	6						

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